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Divergent Midterms: What will you choose?

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What is your midterms downfall—self-centeredness, ignorance, hostility, self-deceit or the fear that you're going to fail? It's nearly time, so choose a faction, choose a fate. Just be careful that your new strength doesn't become your weakness.

Abnegation

Studying alone in your room isn't for everyone. Choose abnegation and spend your midterm study sessions helping your friends study instead. Teaching someone else could help you become more comfortable with the material, and as a bonus your friend will hopefully pass, too.

Erudite

Perhaps the faction that makes the most sense right off the bat, the erudite believe that knowledge is key. So hit the books and memorize everything. After all, if you know the entire textbook passage by heart, you should ace the midterm. The downside is the memorizing—know any good mnemonic devices?

Amity

Hide the 8 a.m. hostility and stow the signature scowl. You need to make some friends... and quickly. Strike up a conversation with the people who sit beside you in lecture. If you're feeling brave, or incredibly nervous about the test, take a field trip to the front row and suggest a study session in the library. If that doesn't work—or if you slept through lecture—you can throw a Hail Mary pass and send a mass email to the class, in which case... good luck.

Candor

Honesty is the best policy—if you're worried you're lying to yourself about being prepared, quiz yourself and take a clear look at the results. No fibbing. "That was my first guess!" just won't cut it. The candor don't work well with other factions, though; nobody else wants to hear the truth about their study habits or how prepared they are.

Dauntless

Don't care about how the midterms turn out? The dauntless aren't afraid of failing or falling through the ranks. While it is the easiest course of studying—not studying at all—it also carries the most risk. Only the most confident of students can be dauntless. You'll have to fight those tests and essay prompts until one of you can't recover. But if you're the one on the floor when time is up, you might end up without a faction or a passing grade to call your own.

CAMPUS EVENTS:

Thursday, Sept. 25

- **WSU Alumni Writers Panel:** 12:30-2 p.m. Pathfinder Lounge
- **The Association of Black Business Students Mixer:** 4-6 p.m. Rike Hall Lobby

Saturday, Sept. 27

- **John Bryan Hiking Trip:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. John Bryan State Park

Sunday, Sept. 28

- **A Term last day to drop with a W grade**

Monday, Sept. 29

- **Homecoming Kickoff Party:** 12-2 p.m. Student Union Atrium
- **Chalk the Quad:** 5-7 p.m. The Quad

Thursday, Oct. 2

- **4th Annual Wright Brothers Day:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Student Union Atrium
- **Cardboard Boat Race and Pool Party:** 6-9 p.m. Student Union Pool
- **Project ASPIRE:** 12-4 p.m. Student Union Atrium

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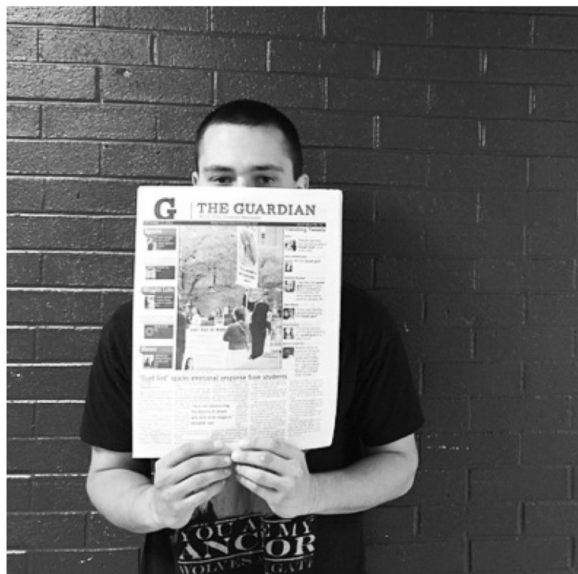
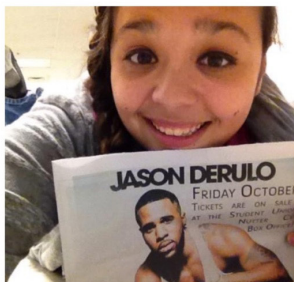
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Ask Mandy

ask.fm/mandyadvice

Dear Mandy,

I have fake boobs. I got them as a sweet 16 gift. I'm sure you're wondering why that's a problem. The thing is that I haven't told my new boyfriend. I'm really scared that the first time we make love and he feels my cold, hard, plastic breasts, he'll run for the hills. What do I do?

-Titty Trouble

Dear Titty Trouble,

I have consulted my male associates, and the resounding response to your question was this: there is a pretty good chance you could get away with fake boobs and your boyfriend wouldn't know the difference.

In general, boys don't know much about boobs. They know that boobs are interesting, forbidden and pretty, but they don't know much more than that. So I think you're in luck!

Love,

Mandy

Disclaimer: Ask Mandy is satirical and intended for humorous purposes. The views and opinions reflected are those of Mandy, not The Guardian as an organization.

Rock on, Ohio

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Ohio has its fair share of attractive aspects to brag about. We Ohioans have Jungle Jims, Cedar Point, the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Jeni's Ice Cream. For those who are not Columbus natives, Jeni's Ice Cream is the epitome of frozen artisan treats. Really the epitome of any artisan treat, or of any treat. Or of anything. Ever.

Roller coasters and mid-west culinary delights aside, Ohio has a local music scene unlike any other.

And no, I'm not just talking about that one Bowling for Soup song. Come on, everyone,

Texas has nothing on us.

When it comes to local sounds, Ohio has produced many household-name-boasting bands. Such as Walk the Moon (Cincinnati), The Black Keys (Akron area), The Devil Wears Prada (Dayton), Kid Cudi (Cleveland) and John Legend (Springfield). And that is just a few from a staggeringly long list of familiar artists.

But we also have a great set of up-and-coming groups that not many people know about. Even from the Dayton and Columbus areas alone, there are bands such as To Kill a Monster, Two Punch Gun, Ranger Danger and Astro Gypsy (all can be found on Facebook and will have shows

in the near future).

These bands are all made up of people have really unique sounds that lovers of any genre can appreciate.

If you go to downtown Dayton on a weekend or the Short North of Columbus, you can find bands such as these playing their original songs and rocking the socks off of their local fans.

Some may say that Ohio is just a flat place where people like to settle down and do silly things like raise families. But clearly they have no idea about the face melting pop, punk, dance and everything in between rock that locals know and love.

Resisting the "Quad Gods"

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This past week has provided a whole new entertainment for crowds of students who walk through the quad. And in case you're not sure what I'm talking about, I'll give you a few hints: they yell out homophobic remarks, encourage sexism, and tell us we're all going to hell in a hand basket. Yes, I'm talking about the Quad Gods, Wright State's best comedy troupe.

I find their message of misogyny, hatred and hellfire to be so ludicrous that it's almost a joke. If they ever try to talk to me, I

ignore them. People like that aren't willing to listen to a valid argument, so any conversation ends up being a massive waste of my already thinning patience. There are plenty of students, however, who love to go toe to toe with the Quad Gods. It's a valiant attempt, but as mentioned before, they don't listen to logic, no matter how rational the argument. Students get frustrated, shouting matches occur, people strip off clothes, but I digress.

I admire the people who stand up against these bigots, I really do. But the only real way that we're ever going to see any change in getting these

idiots off campus for good is if we file legitimate complaints to the university. If everyone who argued with the Quad Gods just took the time to fill out a report through BIRT, the Bias Incident Response Team, we could stop them.

Because what they're doing is hateful, and does count as a Bias Incident. The form to file such a response can be found on the Division of Student Affairs webpage on Wright State's website under Student Resources. If anyone out there is as sick of them as I am, please, take the time to fill out a report, and we'll be one step closer to erasing hate from our campus quad.

Upcoming winter may not be as polar as you think

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We have all seen doomsday winter weather predictions being shared on social media: this winter is going to be a real beast.

But who is developing those significant forecasts that the upcoming winter will be glacial and white with snow? Odds are, it is coming from a non-reputable source.

Any meteorologist worth his or her title would never share a doomsday long-range forecast. Forecast models are unpredictable. Just look at the five-day forecast. Are meteorologists

certain where the jet stream will be five days from now? Of course not. So how do they know where the jet stream will set-up shop in February?

Forecasters from the National Weather Service rarely put out broad forecasts like the ones circulating on Facebook and Twitter. One of the few forecasts the service recently issued called for above average temperatures this winter due to an over 60 percent chance of this winter having an El Nino pattern.

El Nino winters have traditionally been mild and drier for Ohio.

Ohio has the curse of being in an area that receives year-round moisture from the Gulf of Mexico while being far enough

north to see bitter cold. While areas to our north may experience much colder winters, they may not see as much snow depending on what becomes the dominant weather pattern of the season.

Other parts of the nation know what to expect with winter. You know if you go north to expect it to be cold the entire winter. Go south and expect mostly mild conditions. But often the winter jet stream sets up right over Ohio. A 100-mile difference could make the difference between having a bitterly cold winter and having rather mild season.

No matter what, this is still Ohio. If you want to avoid the cold and snow, move to Florida.



PLANNED PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER I-675

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I-675 pedestrian bridge, due 2015, to enhance student safety

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Wright State has contributed \$70,000 to the I-675 pedestrian bridge that will connect Fairborn and Beavercreek. It is slated to be completed by May of 2015, primarily funded by a federal grant providing \$2,216,000 of the total \$3,124,885 project cost.

According to Beavercreek City Engineer Jeff Moorman, the project will be a major benefit for WSU students.

"I believe the bridge will have some very positive benefits, including for students with disabilities. As you know, I-675

creates a barrier for pedestrians and bicyclists between the southern portion of Fairborn and northern Beavercreek," Moorman said.

"Right now the only places where a WSU student can cross I-675 to get to the Pentagon Blvd. area are the bridge on N. Fairfield Road over I-675 and at Grange Hall Road," said Moorman. "Neither of these locations were designed to accommodate pedestrians, and mixing the large traffic volumes on these roads with people walking or riding bikes creates a less than ideal situation. It's our hope the new bridge will provide a safer and more convenient means for WSU students to travel to the Fairfield Mall area to work, shop and eat."

Colonel Glenn construction to be completed October 10

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The city of Fairborn plans to finish the resurfacing and stripping project on Colonel Glenn in front of Wright State by Oct. 10, weather permitting. The project's main goals include creating a smoother ride along Colonel Glenn and to create more of a university atmosphere for WSU.

Civil Engineer for the City of Fairborn Lee Harris described the purpose of the construction.

"Prior to this project, the road was becoming very bumpy and there were areas where the pavement was falling apart. This project fixed the issues where the pavement needed fixed and will provide a more comfortable drive through this corridor. This project also installed new sidewalk where sections were missing and improved the roadway aesthetics by adding curb and

gutter on the south side of the road," Harris said.

In order to give Colonel Glenn a greater university atmosphere, the city took a few different approaches to change the road's visual appeal.

"With this project we installed new medians along the corridor, and the City is in the process of working with WSU and the businesses in the area to determine what to build in the islands to help create this atmosphere. The city would like to make Colonel Glenn friendlier to pedestrians and to promote pedestrian traffic back and forth from WSU to the businesses,"

As far as complaints go, fortunately not many have occurred," said Harris. "The city of Fairborn has made an extra effort to spread the word regarding the project to help inform citizens

about what they should expect while driving through the area.

Wright State student Tanya Maske voiced her opinions on the traffic the construction causes, especially around peak hours during the week.

"I think it is pretty inconvenient in general, but it is especially difficult for Wright State students and faculty. Since most of us are on campus daily, we encounter the traffic pretty often. However, I do think that the construction was necessary and that the positives will eventually outweigh the negatives," Maske said.

The construction was paused for the increased traffic from the Air Force Marathon, and lanes were reclosed following the marathon to perform the final resurfacing of the road.



STEM City offers a house of learning for residents

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STEM City, a Hamilton Hall learning community in its first year, encompasses students majoring in engineering, computer science, science and math, aimed at enhancing early STEM students' academic performance and socialization.

WSU Director of Housing Dan Bertso explained the most important reason for forming STEM City was to give students a better vision of their academic future.

"There are more and more students coming to college who want to go into STEM disciplines or are trying to make a decision about going into a STEM discipline," Bertso said.

By allowing students the chance to live with other students who are interested in that area, they can be showed alternatives and opportunities to make an informed choice.

Another significant reason for starting STEM City was the connection between the colleges of Engineering and Computer Science.

"We found that computer science and engineering majors had begun to live in both honors and in Hamilton Hall," Bertso said. "We had the space and we liked making learning communities because students liked them. We thought that is a logical combination of those two colleges. The two colleges were willing to partner with us and here we are."

Another important unspoken objective is based more on socialization between residents than academic experiences.

"They (STEM City residents) come to the building knowing there will be people living there who have the same interest as they have. They will meet each other, get acquainted and make friends at college. Having folks at college that you know having left your hometown and your high school and forming that base will help you become more successful no matter what you do."

STEM City residents also have several perks other residence halls do not have. STEM City residents have access to special equipment, including a flat screen with an Internet connec-

tion students can use on projects. STEM City residents can also take advantage of a classroom downstairs in Hamilton, which offers recitation sessions of lectures and labs each hour on weekdays.

Students are generally satisfied with their experience at STEM City thus far, according to Bertso.

"It's just been a couple of weeks and Hamilton like most residence halls on campus is probably 65 to 70 percent first year students," Bertso said. "With that many new people, they're getting used to a lot of things not just where they live, but we've done things in Hamilton as far as having equipment and resources that the other buildings do not have. Students

seem to like that a lot. Now we're working with those students to see what else they would like to make it even better."

STEM City is a good source of communication and learning, according to biological sciences major Jami Sheplar.

"I like it a lot because the STEM is all the science majors and all the higher education majors. It's a community for all of us to live together and to be able to talk about stuff. We also have a STEM instructor to help us," Sheplar said.

STEM City Program Coordinator Colton Metzger agrees that the sense of community STEM City offers is very beneficial.

"STEM City residents really form a connection within themselves to be able to live and learn together as community."



WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY RAIDER HOMECOMING SEPT. 29-OCT. 4

Monday, September 29

12 p.m. Homecoming Kickoff

Student Union Atrium

5 p.m. Chalk the Quad

The Quad

9 p.m. Homecoming Bowling Party

Beaver Vu Lanes, 1238 N. Fairfield Rd,

Beavercreek, OH

Tuesday, September 30

11 a.m. My Little Library Challenge

North Lawn Mall

Wednesday, October 1

7 p.m. Homecoming Magic Show

Student Union Apollo Room

Thursday, October 2

12 p.m. Wright Brothers Day

Student Union Atrium

7 p.m. Homecoming Cardboard Boat Race
& Pool Party

Student Union Natatorium

Friday, October 3

8 p.m. Homecoming Concert: **Jason Derulo**

Wright State's Nutter Center

Saturday, October 4

10 a.m. Nearly Naked Mile

Rinzler Field

12 p.m. Homecoming Festival

Rinzler Field

1 p.m. Club Football Game vs. Ohio State

Rinzler Field

2 p.m. Women's Soccer Game vs. Green Bay

Rinzler Field

4 p.m. Chili Cook-off

Rinzler Field

7 p.m. Men's Soccer Game Vs. Milwaukee

Rinzler Field

9 p.m. Homecoming Casino and Dance

Student Union Apollo Room

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Word from the Women's Center: #WhyIStayed, #WhyILeft

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Hashtags #WhyIStayed and #WhyILeft are two increasingly popular social media tags used to bring attention to an estimated 1.3 million women who are victims of physical assault by an intimate partner each year.

The tweets, though only a few words, provide insight to readers on the experiences of being in a domestic violence relationship, why women chose to leave their abusive relationships and, harder for outsiders to under-

The less support these people have, the less likely they are going to leave.

stand, why they chose to stay in the first place.

"There are so many reasons why individuals might stay in a relationship with intimate partner violence," said Amber Vlasnik, the director of the Wright State Women's Center.

Vlasnik said those reasons could include financial dependence, pressure from religious groups, family or friends, as well as "loyalty to the relationship or children, fear of being alone, fear of increased violence, fear

that no one will believe [them]; denial, internalization of the abuser's words, shame, love, the belief that it will get better, and/or language or cultural barriers in accessing resources, among other reasons. Of these, it's important to note that leaving is often the most dangerous time in a violent relationship."

Children often become a reason for why people stay not because of loyalty, but because they do not have another choice—a parent trying to run away from a violent partner with their child often gets charged with kidnapping.

Jennifer Money, the research and recruitment assistant for the women's studies program, said survivors usually have a specific reason for finally leaving a dangerous relationship.

"Support. If someone comes to you and says they are in a violent situation, you... provide them with the resources and come up with safety plan, but you also can't force anyone to leave a situation when they're not ready to and leaving the situation may not necessarily be the best thing for them at that point," Money said. "You don't want them to end up back where they started. But just... giving them positive reinforcement goes a long way, too. The less support these people have, the less likely they are going to

leave. Support does go a long way from what I've seen."

Social media has spread awareness about many issues over the past few months—including the conflict in Gaza and awareness for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)—but Money said the trending hashtags about domestic violence spread not only awareness but empathy, and that the importance is in keeping the discussions going.

Money said social media can be a good way for domestic violence survivors to share their stories.

"It helps for people to realize there are faces that are experiencing this violence and these

"Everyone deserves to be in a relationship free of all forms of violence, coercion and abuse."

are people. A lot of times a person is faceless and it's easy to look away, but when that person has a face it's a little harder," Money said. "Social media contributes to that."

"It's so important to break the silence about intimate partner violence and to start thinking about it as a social issue that affects all of us," Vlasnik said. "Everyone deserves to be in a relationship free of all forms of violence, coercion and abuse."

The Women's Center provides services in community, leadership development, programming, resources and advocacy both men and women of all races, genders, classes and sexualities.

"We offer referrals for individuals who need resources, information or help in leaving an abusive relationship," Vlasnik said. "Women's center staff are a confidential source under Title IX for issues of sexual violence. We also educate the campus community about intimate partner violence in its many forms, offering training to student leaders annually, tabling throughout the year, collaborating with other units to offer Sexual Assault Prevention Week and additional academic lectures throughout the year."



Olive, an Urban Dive into healthy living

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Olive, an Urban Dive is a local success because of its healthy, locally sourced alternative menu that caters to gluten-free, paleo, vegetarian and vegan diets.

Olive was opened in July 2011 by Kimberly Collett and her family. Located on East Third Street in Dayton, the restaurant has continued to build in popularity. Owner Kimberly Collett credits Dayton.

"Being downtown, in this community of supportive, loyal people makes all the difference," Collett said of her business. "The basic mantra is support the community, local source as much as possible and to keep it simple in all things."

Collett and her family operate a two-acre farm where they grow a portion of the produce for the restaurant, as well as herbs and flowers. In addition

to this land, the family also purchased additional land to help continue the process as the restaurant grows. Collett and her family also run a very environmentally-friendly facility. Olive is a Green and Blue Certified Business for water conservation. They compost or recycle 92 percent of all their waste, supporting an all-around healthy establishment.

After renovating the old Wympee diner, built in 1938, to create Olive, Collett has worked to make sure the ambience of the restaurant is one full of welcoming friends and family.

"We don't just provide jobs, we make families that work together, even as individual people change," Collett said.

For those who are interested in trying Olive's food for themselves, reservations are recommended as the dive seats approximately 28 people at a time.



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I BELIEVED HIM WHEN HE SAID IT WAS THE LAST TIME. #WHYISTAYED THE LAST TIME ALMOST KILLED ME. #WHYILEFT



Angela Mason @AngelaMason79

#WHYISTAYED I HAD NO IDEA THAT EMOTIONAL ABUSE WAS A REAL THING OR THAT I WAS A VICTIM #WHYILEFT THE EMOTIONAL ABUSE TURNED PHYSICAL



LinTayMic @georget76

#WHYISTAYED BECAUSE I ALWAYS PUT HIS NEEDS BEFORE MY OWN & BECAUSE I DECIDED TO CHOOSE ME!



Jazz Jones @Jas4mine

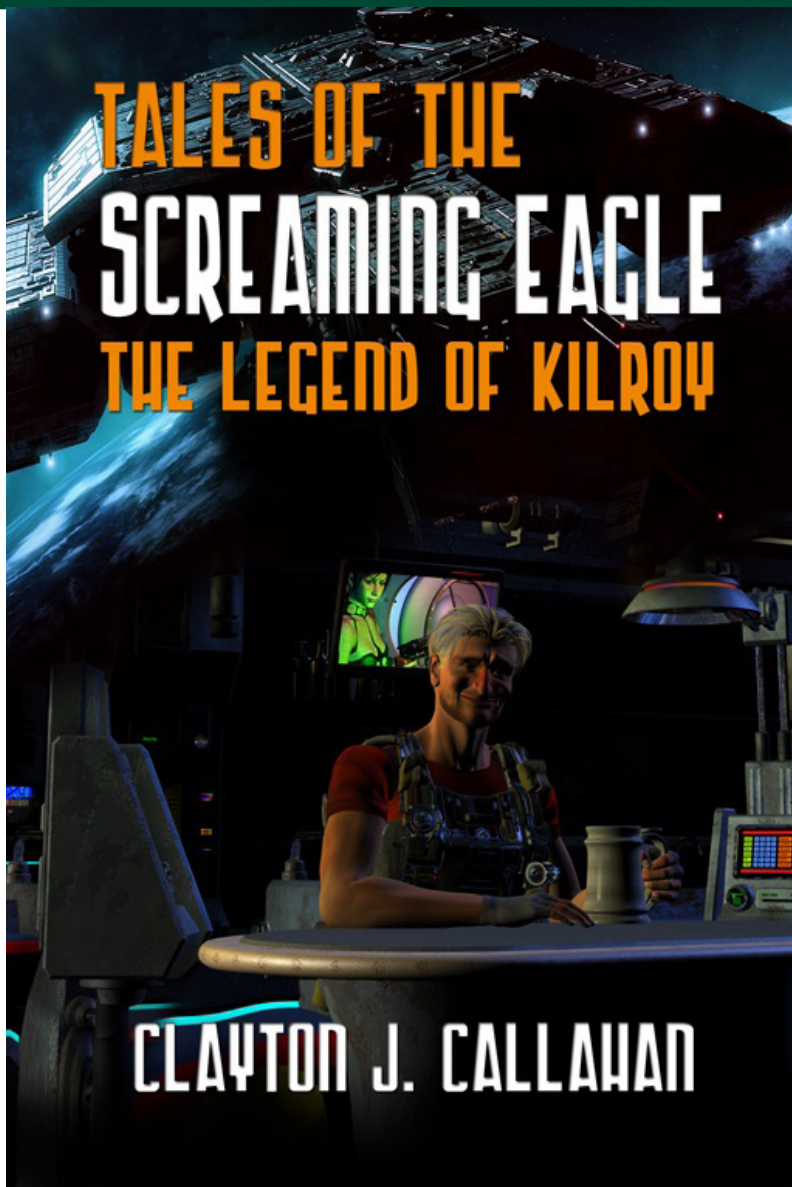
#WHYISTAYED ITS MY FAULT. #WHYILEFT IT WAS NEVER MY FAULT



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#WHYISTAYED WAS BECAUSE I THOUGHT LOVE WOULD CONQUER ALL. #WHYILEFT WAS BECAUSE I REALIZED PEOPLE WHO CAUSE THAT MUCH HARM ARE NOT IN LOVE





COVER OF CLAYTON CALLAHAN'S NEW BOOK



CLAYTON CALLAHAN

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Former WSU student now published author

Vet writes to clarify common misconceptions of military

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U.S. veteran and former Wright State student Clayton Callahan is the recent author of two published books: "Tales of the Screaming Eagle" and the "Writer's Guide to Adventurous Professions," both inspired by his military experiences.

"Tales of The Screaming Eagle" is a science-fiction novel that takes place in the future at a veteran's bar in space where a college student from Earth meets other veterans who try to help him through the trauma of a recent near-death experience.

The "Writer's Guide to Adventurous Professions," which is co-written with Vietnam veteran and long-time military friend Lee Roberts, is a reference guide based on Callahan's own professional experiences and knowledge to help fiction writers accurately portray military, police and spy characters. Callahan hopes that by portraying military people as more human in his books, readers will gain a

better understanding of them.

"I've served in the military most of my life, but very few books I've read convey the experience accurately," Callahan

"Military folks are a lot more human than we are often portrayed as characters."

said.

"Military folks are a lot more human than we are often portrayed as characters. As the college kid [in "Screaming Eagle"] learns and grows, the reader gets a fresh understanding of military people as I know them and how to move beyond our bad experiences as military folks must. Also, I joined a writers group and discovered that many well-meaning people are rather clueless about the military, yet they still put tons of military characters in their books. This also holds true for police characters and spies. As I have been in all three professions, I thought I could best aid my fellow writers. I figure that

[the "Writer's Guide to Adventurous Professions] will at least give writers the opportunity to get off on the right foot."

Callahan enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1987 and served two years as a missile gunner in the Persian Gulf during Operation Ernest Will before coming to WSU. He then served six years in the Navy Reserve as a boatswains mate while also a student. Callahan then went on to be a middle school teacher in Gastonia, N.C. and later a Deputy Sheriff. In 1998, he joined and served the Army National Guard in North Carolina as a communications specialist until transferred to the Oregon National Guard. In 2007, Callahan joined the Army Reserves to become a U.S. Army Counterintelligence Special Agent. He retired from the army as a Special Agent and Staff Sergeant in 2014. Callahan also said that not only did his

military and other career experiences influence him to write works that would allow outsiders to understand the people in these professions better, but so did his time at WSU.

"In my freshman year, the First Gulf War kicked off," Callahan said. "I found myself constantly having to explain things to my fellow students. Most of them were well meaning, but had no context to understand

"I found myself constantly having to explain things to my fellow students. Most of them were well meaning, but had no context to understand the complexity of military life or the culture of the Middle East."

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Callahan also explained why he chose to write a science-fiction novel about military people versus a non-fiction or realistic fiction instead.

"I have always been a fan of

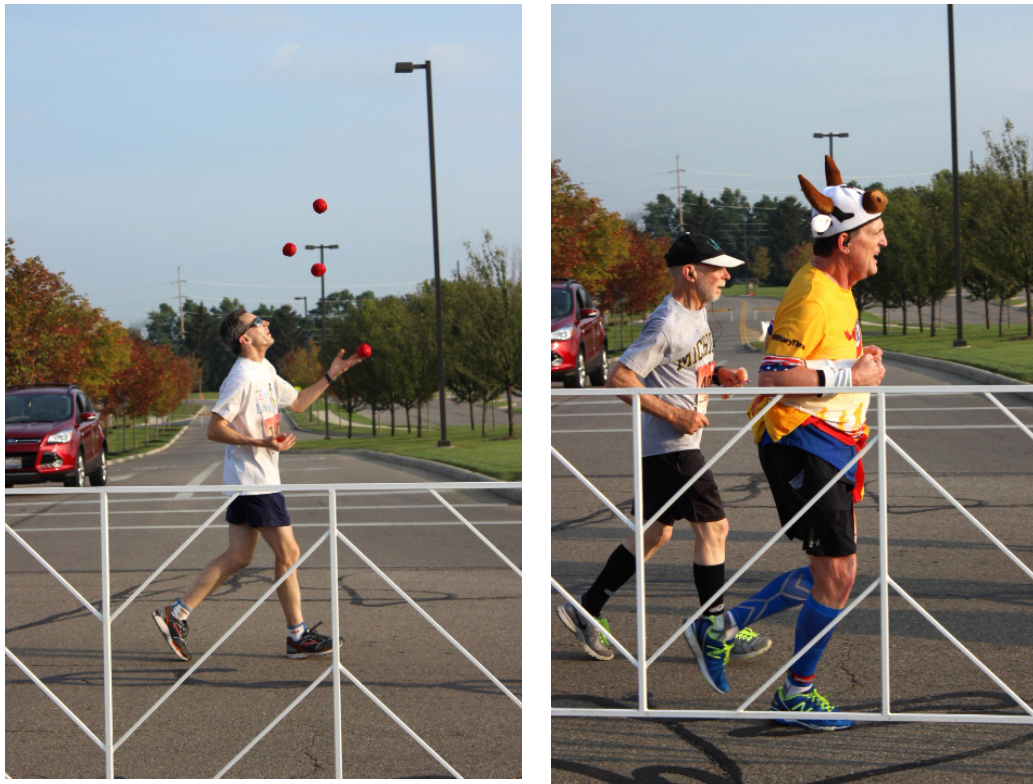
science fiction but have struggled to find good, human oriented space opera in the past few years," Callahan said. "Also, sci-fi gives the writer license to set up circumstances exactly the way they wish to make their point, and like any good persuasive essay, when you respectfully acknowledge the other points of view you can clearly illustrate the ideas you wish to communicate."

Callahan currently lives in Portland, Ore., and works as a correctional officer at the Oregon Department of Corrections. He plans to continue writing and his next novel, "Adventures of Crazy Liddy" is due out next summer.

Callahan also said that writing has affected his life in that he has been able to meet and bond with other writers who are striving for their dreams. When asked about one piece of advice he would give to aspiring writers, Callahan had this to say:

"Don't quit and keep learning how to get better. Same advice for an aspiring anybody really."

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Raider Spotlight: Lynch helping Raiders to winning start

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Wright State men's soccer player Eric Lynch is in his sophomore season for the Raiders. Despite only being a sophomore, he is still one of the main contributors to the team's success through the first half of the season.

Lynch started playing soccer when he was four years old. His passion for the sport stemmed from his older brother.

"My older brother is what motivated me to play," Lynch said. "He was really good so I wanted to follow after him."

Lynch used his athletic abilities to participate in other sports such as basketball, but

once he entered high school his sole concentration was soccer.

Lynch used high school to concentrate and improve his soccer

When he is off the field, we are very different and he is a very important part of the team."

skills. His play at Bellbrook High School put him in a position to be heavily recruited by some major Division I schools such as Dayton, Xavier, Wright State and Michigan State.

Deciding which school to attend was difficult, but in the end it was his fellow teammates and

head coach Bryan Davis that convinced him to become a Raider.

"Coach Davis really showed an interest in me and he was pursuing me more than any other coach and I knew Jake Stovall and Zack Zwiesler on the team and they really convinced me to come because our recruiting class was really good," Lynch said.

Davis's invested interest in the 5-foot-10 senior from Bellbrook has paid off already in the young career of Lynch. Davis credits a lot of that to Lynch's ability to be a coachable player.

Lynch leads the Horizon League in assists with five through the Raiders' first eight

matches. As a freshman last season, Lynch had a team-leading eight assists to go with a trio of goals.

"He's a really fun kid to coach because we get into him a bit and we challenge him and he just gets better and better and better," Davis said. "It's really fun when you have kids that you coach when the more you put in the more you get out and Eric's really getting what we put in."

Last week, Lynch was named

the Horizon League's Player of the Week. He took that momentum into last Friday's home contest against Duquesne where he set up teammate Wes Cain for the game winning goal in overtime to give the Raider's their fifth win on the season.

"Eric Lynch is just an engine," Davis said. "He's such a difference maker. When he is off the field, we are very different and he is a very important part of the team."

Cross-country: Raiders finish in the middle of the pack

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CEDARVILLE, Ohio - Sept. 29, Cedarville University hosted their annual Friendship Invitational at the Elvin R. King Course. The Raiders cross-country teams competed against schools from all over the state including, Cincinnati, Dayton and Cleveland State, where both teams finished in the middle of the pack.

The men ran the 8K and finished the day at fifth out of 10 schools, while the women ran the 5K and finished fourth out of eight.

It was an overall good showing for the Raiders, considering the competition and the fact

that it was the first 8K of the season for the young and inexperienced team.

Freshman Andrew Lake, who has led all runners for the Raiders in previous meets, ran his first collegiate 8K at the Friendship Invitational. He crossed the finish line at a time of 27:24 in 24th place.

"It's college level now, not high school," Lake said while catching his breath. "I'm used to running 5Ks, it was very difficult going the extra 3000 meters."

Lake finished second for the Raiders behind junior Kameron Powell who came in 22nd overall with a time of 27:15. On a team full of underclassmen, Powell is one of the more experienced runners on the team. Even though he is still recover-

ing from injury, he was able to lead the way for the Raiders.

"I thought the race went well," Powell said. "I felt okay and didn't get too tired, so I can't wait to get 100 percent and really compete this year."

Junior Vanessa Hopwood had a very impressive run, finishing first for the Raiders at 19:26 and 10th overall in the women's 5K. She was followed by sophomore Brittany Bailey who ran the course in 19:57.

Cincinnati took home the first place overall for the men's, and for the women's Cedarville University ran away with the victory.

The Raiders return to Cedarville Oct. 3 for the All-Ohio Championships.

Volleyball: Raiders swept heading into HL play

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The Wright State volleyball team continued its month long road trip last weekend in Nashville, TN at the Belmont Invitational. It was a tough weekend for the Raiders who fell to an overall record of 3-12 after going 0-3 for the weekend.

The matches marked the final contests before the Raiders begin conference play this Friday at Cleveland State. Wright State has lost 29 consecutive Horizon League matches dating back to Nov. 5, 2011.

Since the end of 2011, Wright State has been 12-67 overall and has finished dead last in the Horizon League back-to-back seasons.

The team began playing Friday night against the hosting Belmont Bruins. The Bruins defended home court, winning in four sets 25-17, 16-25, 25-17, 25-22. Megan Hopkins led the Raiders with 10 kills followed by Katie Klusman with nine.

The second day of matches

began with the Raiders facing off against the Liberty Flames. Wright State came out strong, winning the first set 25-17. After losing the second and third sets, the Raiders took the fourth set 27-25 sending it into a fifth and final set. The last set was fought hard with seven ties, but the Flames pulled away at the end to seal the win, 15-11.

The third and final match was against a very good Northern Kentucky team that defeated the Raiders earlier in the season 3-0. In similar fashion, the Norse dominated the majority of the match sweeping the Raiders three sets. This was also the match game for Norse who dominated the entire weekend as well, as they went undefeated improving their record to 10-3 overall.

Following Friday's contest at Cleveland State, the Raiders travel to Youngstown State Saturday afternoon. WSU returns home Oct. 10 to host UIC.

Volleyball head coach Susan Clements did not respond to multiple requests for comment.



AIR FORCE MARATHON METALS

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Local and visiting athletes shine during Air Force Marathon

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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE - The 2014 Air Force Marathon held last Saturday was a spectacle of athletic accomplishment as local and out-of-state athletes achieved victory or ran for charitable causes.

Wright State alumni John Ordway and Christina Johnston were victorious in the men and women's half marathon.

The 26.2-mile marathon course cut through parts of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Wright State University and the city of Fairborn.

Men's marathon champion Steve Chu, from Colorado Springs, set a blistering winning time of 2:28:15. Chu gained confidence that victory was in sight when he got ahead of even-

tual marathon runner-up Brian Dumm.

"It's a pretty small world when it comes to the running community. I know Brian was running the race, so I knew he was probably the favorite. I fig-

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ured if I was able to stay with him or pull away from him then I would probably have a good shot at it. It was maybe not even until like three or four miles left that I knew I had it," said Chu.

Ordway, a Waynesville resident and former WSU medical student, won the men's half

marathon in 1:07:17. Ordway was confident early in the race that victory was in sight.

"Nobody else wanted to go out with me, so I figured I was going to have to battle the clock the whole time, but it turned out fine," said Ordway.

Kenneth Bestine of Clymer, N.Y. won the handcycle marathon in 1:18:23. Bestine fell behind early, but quickly made the margin back up.

Columbus resident Nicola Holdsworth became women's marathon champion with a time of 2:56:03. Holdsworth might have appeared to have ample energy but attributed that to adrenaline. Saturday marked Holdsworth's first victory in any marathon.

Johnston, a Xenia native, was the champion of the women's half-marathon with a time of 1:20:38. As a Wright State alum, the victory had a special meaning to Johnston.

"It's great because we run on Wright State's campus and it brings back good memories of training and living on campus," said Johnston.

Many runners participate during Air Force Marathon weekend for various charitable reasons, as Dayton resident Dori Spaulding demonstrated. Spaulding is associated with Team Red, White and Blue (Team RWB), which is an organization that honors veterans through athletic participation.

"It's actually really intense for me. I lost a friend in an accident, and it's been about two years. He was active duty and was killed in a freak boating accident. So I thought about him a lot and it's really emotional. It's nice to be there too because there are a lot of Team RWB people out here out here today. It's a really powerful experience," said Spaulding.

Kettering resident and one of

the marathon favorites, Dustin Sprague proved that endurance running is often unpredictable, as he finished ninth.

"It was rough. Actually, the first half I went out too fast, and I ended up paying for it at the end. The last six miles were very difficult. I started cramping up a lot and I had to stop a couple of times. I don't know if it was a fluid intake, but it just wasn't on today," said Sprague.

Tipp City resident Kyle Brumbaugh was victorious in the 10K with a time of 35:45.

"Something I've always wanted was to be able to break the tape in a big race. To have that opportunity was a year's worth of visualizing this race this race again because I had gotten second last year. It was nice to see that vision come to reality," said Brumbaugh.

Women's soccer: Raiders go into HL play on winning streak

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After a painful 1-6 start to the season, Wright State bounced back in a big way last weekend taking a pair of games at home by a combined score of 6-0 for WSU's final warm up before conference play.

After dominating Tennessee Tech in a 5-0 win Sept. 14, the Raiders responded with a gritty 1-0 victory over Morehead State Sunday on a day that head coach Pat Ferguson honored the program's four seniors.

"You can't ask for more than

a win on senior day," senior defender Allie Metzler said. "We're finishing the ball and producing. Now everyone is working their butt off every second of the game rather than picking and choosing times to play. Going hard on tackles and playing hard the whole game and that is what we needed."

"They bend but they don't break," Ferguson said of his team's play leading up to Horizon League play. "I think mentally, they could have broken a week ago... but they were resilient. They had a great week of practice and I am glad they are being rewarded."

Wright State got its only goal of Sunday's contest from freshman Sarah Colvin in the 48th minute. It was Colvin's first goal at the collegiate level. The goal came from a ball that Natalie Sedlock played up front to Colvin who got a pass back from Addie Englehart in the box.

"I was glad for Sarah. Not only did she play a great game (Sunday) but a great game on Friday," Ferguson said. "She gave a lot of effort and energy as well as she was calm with the ball."

Scoring for WSU is much more of a team effort than in years past. The Raiders relied on Emilie Fillion last season to

provide much of their scoring. This year, WSU has nine goals in nine games from eight different players. Bryce Hueber is WSU's only multi-goal scorer.

"Last year, we had a couple goal scorers early on in the season and that was about it," Ferguson said. "We get to conference and it was easy to key on that kid. This year, we have not only three, four, five kids that can score that are starting, we have kids coming off the bench that are able to score."

Freshmen have contributed seven of WSU's nine goals this year. Colvin was happy to join the ranks of six freshmen to

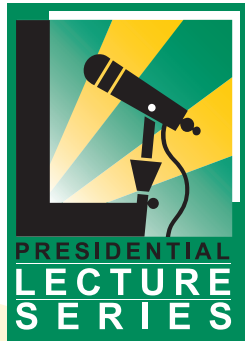
score this season for WSU.

"Pretty much anyone can go out there and get the job done," Colvin said. "I think it is pretty intimidating and causes confusion because (other teams) can't mark one person."

Goalkeeper Halle Pyle led the Raiders to their second straight shutout Sunday. While she only had three saves in the contest, Pyle was actively punching balls out on several of Morehead State's six corner kicks.

"Halle has had a great season so far," Metzler said. "We need good distribution from her as she is the only player who can see the whole field."

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